

## How Can We Help?

### MDLC may be able to:

- Provide information and technical assistance;
- Advocate for all necessary Assistive Technology devices and services to be included in your Individual Plan (for DDA) or your last IEP (for school);
- Help you get or keep your Assistive Technology devices and/or services;
- Provide you with technical assistance in applying for SSI and Medical Assistance; and/or
- Help you apply for services from DORS.

Maryland Disability Law Center (MDLC) is the designated Protection and Advocacy agency for Maryland, mandated to advance the civil rights of people with disabilities. We are a non-profit organization providing free legal services to Marylanders with disabilities.

## Contact Us

To request our help, or receive more information, call us.

**Maryland Disability Law Center**  
(410) 727-6352, press "0".

Ask to speak with our Special Education Intake Office.

Call Monday—Friday between 10 am and noon.

*Say you are interested in...*

**Assistive Technology  
School to Community  
Transition Project**



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**Assistive Technology  
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*Helping youth  
with developmental disabilities  
access assistive technology  
before leaving school*



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## Do You Know.....

You may be:

- Eligible for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Medical Assistance at age 18, regardless of family income.
- Eligible for assistance from the Department of Rehabilitation Services (DORS) as you transition from school.
- Able to get an assessment to determine what Assistive Technology devices and/or services would be the most appropriate.
- Able to keep your current Assistive Technology devices and/or services.
- Eligible for services from the Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA).

**Maryland Disability Law Center (MDLC)** wants to help students who are leaving school and entering DDA funded programs by ensuring the Assistive Technology (AT) included in the Individualized Education Program (IEP) is also included in the Individual Plan (IP). ***Keep the AT you have now.***

MDLC also wants to help students who do not currently have assistive technology receive an assessment and any devices or services that are needed. ***Get the AT you need.***

**What is an Individual Plan (IP):** Individuals who receive services from the Developmental Disabilities Administration participate in developing an IP that details needed services and supports, including Assistive Technology.

## Eligibility

**You may be eligible for our services if:**

- You have an IEP;
- You are entering your last year of school; and
- You are eligible for services from DDA.

## What Should You Do?

In The Year Before You Leave School:

- Make sure you have an up-to-date and accurate assessment for Assistive Technology;
- Make sure all Assistive Technology devices and services you need are included in your last Individualized Education Program (IEP);
- Talk to your IEP team about how you will keep your Assistive Technology or obtain new devices as an adult;
- Apply for SSI then Medical Assistance at age 18, if not already receiving it;
- Apply to DORS to find out if you are eligible for assistance;
- Apply to DDA for services if you have not previously done so.